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FM AMEMBASSY LAGOS

TO DAVID COETZEE

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AF/W FOR LOLLISS

1. YOUR LETTER JANUARY 7 ADDRESSED TO ED LOLLISS

ARRIVED JANUARY 12. SORRY TO HEAR ALAN RAKE ENCOUNTERING PROBLEMS  
ENTERING NIGERIA AND WILL NOT BE IN TOUQ.

2. AS NOTED IN LETTER FROM PETROLEUM OFFICER ATCHLEY DATED  
DECEMBER 18 IN REPLY TO RAKE'S LETTER DECEMBER 12, LOLLISS LEFT  
LAGOS IN JULY TO BECOME NIGERIAN DESK OFFICER IN DEPARTMENT OF  
STATE, WASHINGTON. RAKE HAD ASKED IF HE COULD CALL ON EMBASSY  
AND BE BROUGHT UP TO DATE TO ASSIST HIM IN PREPARING ARTICLE ON  
OIL SITUATION. AS LOLLISS REPLACEMENT, ATCHLEY WELCOMED VISIT AND  
SAID WOULD BE GLAD TO BRIEF RAKE. HOWEVER, SECOND PARAGRAPH YOUR  
LETTER IMPLIES COMMITMENT TO ACTUALLY PREPARE ARTICLE TO MEET  
JANUARY 20 DEADLINE. ATCHLEY DID NOT MAKE SUCH A COMMITMENT, AND  
WE UNAWARE OF

ANYTHING LOLLISS MAY HAVE AGREED TO PRIOR TO HIS  
DEPARTURE. IF RAKE COMMISSIONED LOLLISS TO DO ARTICLE AS YOUR  
CABLE IMPLIES, SUGGEST YOU GET IN TOUCH WITH HIM IN WASHINGTON.  
EMBASSY MAILED COPY OF RAKE'S DECEMBER 12 LETTER TO LOLLISS  
TOGETHER WITH REPLY, AND WILL ALSO PASS CONTENTS THIS CABLE TO  
HIM. CAHILL, ECONOMIC COUNSELOR, AMERICAN EMBASSY LAGOS.

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